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As a private citizen, I feel the proposed Microsoft settlement is a very bad idea.

Starting when I used to work in a small company doing DOS-based local area network software, to now when I work in a graphics-related company, I've seen various signs of Microsoft's anti-competitive behavior. These are things I've seen myself, not things mentioned in the news. These are specific pieces of code which had no purpose in and of themselves other than to make life difficult for competitors.

The proposed settlement will do nothing to make Microsoft more competitive. At most, I feel it will be equivalent to a slap on the wrist. At the very least, there needs to be stricter, more enforceable punishments for cases where Microsoft steps out of line.

Sincerely,  
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